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Co-designing takes the form of a collaboration agreement that has as its object the definition of innovative and experimental projects of services, interventions and complex activities to be carried out in terms of partnership between administrations and the private social sector and that finds its foundation in the principles of subsidiarity, transparency, participation and support of private commitment in the social function.

Historical roots:

L. 328/2000. Framework law for the integrated system of interventions and social services.

- Art. 1 co. 1 The Republic ensures to individuals and families an integrated system of interventions and social services.
- Art. 1 co. 3 The planning and organization of the integrated system of interventions and social services is the responsibility of local authorities, regions, the State ... according to the principles of subsidiarity, cooperation, effectiveness, efficiency and economy
- Art. 1 co. 4 Local authorities, the Regions, the State ... recognize the role of non-profit organizations of social utility
- Art. 1 co. 5 To the management of the offer of the services they provide public subjects as well as, in quality of active subjects in the planning and in the concerted realization of the participations, not profit organizations of social utility...





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Historical roots:

L. 328/2000. Framework law for the integrated system of interventions and social services.

- Art. 2. co. 2 Italian citizens have the right to use the services and facilities of the integrated system of interventions and social services.... The system is universal in nature....
- Art. 22, paragraph 1 The integrated system of interventions and social services is achieved through coordinated policies and services in the various sectors of life...

Third sector reform. D. Lgs. n. 117 of 19 July 2017

- The new code introduces a category ... in which to include all forms of association and enterprise that pursue non-profit, civic, solidarity and socially useful purposes. This large group of subjects, all private, is now called Bodies of the Third Sector (ETS).
- ETSs must carry out, on a not-for-profit basis, activities of general interest in one or more of the 26 areas of general interest
- Art. 5 Third Sector Code. Activities of general interest.

Social interventions and services; health interventions and services; social and health services; education, education and vocational training....





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Local welfare planning

What is programming? "A system of choices by the public decision maker, including those that are contracted and concerted with the Private subjects, to guide economic, social and territorial processes" (G. Bianchi)

<u>L. 328/2000.</u> For the realization of interventions and social services is adopted the method of programming... According to the following principles...consultation and cooperation...

ETS Role:...public bodies promote actions...that allow those operating in the third sector the full expression of their own planning...

ART. 55 TS CODE "Involvement of Third Sector Bodies".

In implementation of the principles of subsidiarity, cooperation, effectiveness, efficiency and cost-effectiveness, homogeneity, financial and patrimonial coverage, responsibility and uniqueness of the administration, organizational and regulatory autonomy, public administrations ... in the exercise of their programming and organizational functions at territorial level ... ensure the involvement of ETS through forms of co-planning and co-designing.





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Art. 55 T.S. Code

Co-programming is aimed at identifying, on the part of the proceeding public administration, the needs to be met, the interventions required for this purpose, the methods of implementation of the same and the resources available.

Art. 55 T.S. Code

Co-design is aimed at defining and possibly implementing specific service or intervention projects designed to meet defined needs.

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The phases of the co-design process

- 1) Initiation of the procedure by act of the PA manager, also on the initiative of the ETS and following the coprogramming activity
- 2) publication of the notice and its annexes
- 3) Carving out co-design sessions
- 4) conclusion of the public evidence procedure
- 5) signing of the agreement





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